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MODERNISATION OF POWER PLANTS
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has identified a number of power plants for modernization during the 10th Plan;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) the progress of work done so far and the total expenditure incurred thereon; and

(d) the steps taken to expedite the works on the projects on which works have not been completed so far?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE)

(a) & (b) : Yes, Sir. State-wise details of thermal power projects identified for Life Extension/Renovation & Modernization works and the hydro projects identified for Renovation, Modernization & Uprating during the 10th Plan are given in Annexures-I, II and III respectively.

(c) : Out of 106 thermal units identified for Life Extension work, 26 units were not found economically viable, work on 11 units have been completed and work on 5 units is in progress. 21 units were transferred to Partnership in Excellence Programme for improving their performance by their association with the performing utilities. Orders for 19 units have already been placed. The State Electricity Boards/Power Utilities are taking action in respect of remaining 24 units. An expenditure of Rs.1685 crores has been incurred so far. Works on 57 thermal units identified for Renovation and Modernisation are at various stages of completion. An amount of Rs.506 crores has been incurred on them so far. Out of 72 schemes identified for Renovation & Modernisation & uprating, works on 29 schemes have been completed and an expenditure of Rs.1000.826 crores has been incurred so far.

(d) : To complete the work on identified thermal/hydro projects, the following steps are taken:

I. Regular Monitoring on the progress of the scheme
II. Visit to Project site
III. Annual Review Meetings
IV. Discussions with Project Authorities on regular basis.
V. Follow up with manufacturers/suppliers.